

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Frank S. Caccavale

Serial No.: 10/722,146 Confirm 7027

Filed: 11/25/2003

For: Method and Apparatus for Load
 Balancing of Distributed Processing Units
 Based on Performance Metrics

Group Art Unit: 2195

Examiner: Truong, Camquy

Atty. Dkt. No.: 10830.0106.NP

AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO OFFICIAL ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the Official Action dated Dec. 7, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows. Please charge any deficiency in any required fee to EMC Corporation Deposit Account 05-0889.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 18 of this paper.